# *Executive Proclamation*
## *State of South Dakota*
## *Office of the Governor*

***Whereas***, the state of South Dakota is the home of Norwood Larsen, and we are richer because Norwood lives among us; and,

***Whereas***, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

***Whereas***, Norwood was born March 11, 1918; and,

***Whereas***, Norwood will observe his 85th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

***Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds***, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 11, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

***In Witness Whereof***, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

**Attest:**

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State